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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration
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SUBJECT: ODP Report for Week Ending 30 September 1981

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Representatives of the Consolidated SAFE Project Office and Headquarters Engineering Branch, OL, conducted a joint inspection of the renovation project for the SAFE Computer Center (Phase I). The condition of the facility was found to be acceptable in general but with some minor clean-up actions required. The first piece of SAFE computer equipment was delivered to the SAFE Computer Center on 29 September 1981. The equipment, a Burroughs B6900 midicomputer, is expected to be assembled by 5 October in preparation for acceptance testing.

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Representatives of the CSPO, OCR/SAS, and TRW, met on 22 September to discuss various aspects of SAFE training. TRW presented a list of training assumptions which were discussed by the group and modified where necessary. Some action items were established and the decision was made that the project had reached a point where monthly meetings on training issues would be required. The first regular meeting will be held in November. OTE representation will be included in these meetings. [REDACTED]

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ACIS (Automated Compensation & Information System)

ACIS Functional Requirements Document was forwarded in draft to the Office of Finance for their early informal comments. The final General Functional Requirements Document will be released on 2 October and will undergo formal review on 20 October.

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Software Maintenance Support

The Quality System Incorporated (QSI) software maintenance contract personnel reported on 21 September 1981. The contractors were briefed on their new assignments by B Division personnel and QSI management. Several tasks were given to the contract manager. During most of the first week the contractors viewed video tapes of basic and intermediate VM. [REDACTED]

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Water Damaged Tape Update

Following is an update on the water leak problem that occurred in the Special Center Tape Library on 15 September.

- All wet tapes were dried by hand according to the manufacturers procedures for handling water damaged tapes.
- Dry tapes that were removed from the library and later found not to have suffered water damage were returned to the library after 24 hours.
- Wet tape racks were dried and left vacant for 24 hours.
- Tapes that were in scratch status (no valid data recorded on them) prior to the damage were degaussed and replaced with new tapes.
- A memorandum was sent to the users along with a list of their tapes, asking that the suspected tapes be categorized according to the users' need for the data on the tapes. Two hundred and fifty tapes were replaced with user assistance.
- All the remaining tapes suspected of suffering water damage will continue to be isolated from the library. They are stored in numeric order outside the tape library within the Center. These tapes now number less than 400.
- The list of tapes authorized by users for scratching (reuse) is checked each day. If a suspected tape in hold appears on the list, it is replaced with a new tape, and the new tape is placed in the library.
- Any tape that a user has identified as being needed has been set aside to be certified. If the tape is found to be without error, the user is notified to authorize copying the tape to a new tape before use.

No major problems have surfaced since the occurrence of the water problems. Operations Division continues to look into safeguards such as tape rack canopies or plastic covers to circumvent problems should another leak occur.

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